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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1122
By Patton

A RESOLUTION to honor Mr. Ralph Moreno on his retirement
from the Tennessee State Guard.

WHEREAS, from time to time, our nation has given birth to great men whose numerous deeds of honor stand as self-evident, leaving no need for reiteration of the details of their distinguished service; and

WHEREAS, in the chapters of United States military history, there have been few men of the august stature of Mr. Ralph Moreno, a man whose military career in service of the most inviolate principles of freedom and preparedness stands as exemplary testimony to the irrefutable value of the American way of life; and

WHEREAS, Ralph Moreno volunteered for service in the State Guard in December, 1991, after nearly 22 years of active military service, and transferred to the active Reserve duty in August, 2001 with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel; and

WHEREAS, Ralph Moreno began his distinguished military career in 1947, and was a member of the 82nd Airborne Division, the 187th Airborne Regiment, the 8th Cavalry, the 38th Infantry Regiment, the 557th QM Co., the HQ Co. 78th, the WWC AMC MP Company, the HNC

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3rd SPT BQ, the 1st Instr. Co., and the HHC USAQMS BDE Co.; he has served in a variety of positions during his long and productive military career; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his dedicated service, he was awarded Service Medals for Good Conduct, National Defense, the Bronze Star, the Vietnam Campaign Medal with Device 60, the Vietnam Service Medal, the Korean Service Medal, the Army Occupation Medal, the UN Service Medal (Japan/Germany) and the Combat Infantry Badge; and

WHEREAS, as a highly respected member of the Tennessee State Guard, Mr. Moreno has received such awards as the Tennessee Defense Force Service Ribbon, the Commendation Ribbon, the Meritorious Service Ribbon, and awards for Distinguished Service, Officer Achievement, Community Service and Recruiting; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body should pause in their deliberations to honor this inimitable man for his outstanding contributions; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we congratulate Mr. Ralph Moreno on his retirement from the Tennessee State Guard, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.